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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for filing an Appeal Brief, following the Notice of Appeal filed December 9, 2002, be extended for a period of two (2) month(s) from February 9, 2003 to and including April 9, 2003. This extension of time is being requested to allow for the filing of Request for Continued Examination, filed concurrently herewith.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$205. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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